

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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IMPLEMENTATION OF ISOPOM
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government/ICAR organizes front-line demonstrations in order to disseminate the production technology amongst the farmers under Maize Development Programme of Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oil, Palm and Maize (ISOPOM);
- (b) if so, the number of such demonstrations organized during last three years, State- wise; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government for organizing crash programmes for quality seed production of maize especially in maize producing States?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a)&(b): In order to disseminate the improved production technologies in maize amongst the farmers, Government of India is organizing Front Line Demonstrations

(FLDs) through Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) under Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oilpalm & Maize (ISOPOM) in various maize growing states. The details of state-wise number of FLDs organized on maize under ISOPOM during the last three years are given at Annexure.

(c): There is a provision under ISOPOM for organizing crash programmes for quality seed production of maize in all the major maize producing States. The Financial assistance @ Rs.500/- per qtl is provided under the crash programme for quality seed production of Maize.